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Attached you will find a copy of the National Lead Laboratory Accreditation List. The NLLAP List is a state-by-state listing of laboratories. These laboratories have been recognized by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) as having met NLLAP laboratory performance requirements and having demonstrated they can accurately analyze for lead in paint chips, soil samples associated with the abatement and control of lead (paint chips, dust wipes and/or soils) for which the NLLAP is the list.

NLLAP was established by the EPA Office of Pollution Prevention and Toxics (OPPT) under legislative directive of Title X, the Lead-Based Paint Hazard Reduction Act of 1992. In order for laboratories to be recognized under the NLLAP they must successfully pass the Environmental Lead Proficiency Analytical Testing (ELPAT) program.

The ELPAT Program is a cooperative effort of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), National Institute of Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH), and the EPA. The test samples is based upon consensus values from reference laboratories. A laboratory's test samples is based upon the determined acceptable range for 75 percent of the ELPAT test samples.

The NLLAP required systems audit must include an on-site evaluation by a private or public laboratory accreditation organization recognized by NIOSH. The systems audit include laboratory personnel qualifications and training, analytical instruments, analytical methods, quality assurance procedures and record keeping procedures.

The NLLAP List is updated on a monthly basis. Updated copies can be obtained upon request by calling the National Lead Information Center Clearinghouse:

1-800-424-LEAD